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MEMORANDUM FOR: DCI

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SUBJECT: Weekly Report

Continuing Resolution: Moving along about as expected. The House will still have to have votes to resolve those issues remaining in dispute when the Senate finishes its work. If the Superfund issue is resolved, the CR will not hold up adjournment.

[redacted] Word from House Appropriations staff is that we came out OK [redacted] but that the Committee was sufficiently annoyed about [redacted] to assign the HAC S&I team to do a study on Agency real estate holdings.

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SSCI Membership: Dole has allegedly told Kassebaum that she will not fill the vacant Republican seat on SSCI, since it has been promised to Wallop. There is no good information on who will fill Democratic seats being vacated by Eagleton and Leahy, though Pell and Glenn are often mentioned.

HPSCI Staff Changes: Steve Berry, Minority Counsel, is leaving to become Minority Staff Director at House Foreign Affairs. Dave Addington [redacted] is going with him as Minority Counsel. Berry will be replaced by Tom Smeeton, currently the number two man at HFAC [redacted]

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[redacted] Smeeton is close to Henry Hyde, who is expected to become the Ranking Minority Member on HPSCI. [redacted]

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[redacted] Changes on the majority side, if any, must await appointment of a new chairman, presumably Lou Stokes.

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Cl23: Efforts to convince Members that the Agency was not involved with private backers of the contras appear to have been successful, although many Members remain suspicious of the Administration. The Senate voted down (50-47) Harkin's amendment that would have required the Administration to report to Congress on official involvement with the contras' private benefactors.

Drug Legislation: Although we won't know for certain until final passage, it appears we were successful in our effort to delete a Senate provision which would have tasked the DCI to conduct collection and analysis against certain narcotics-producing countries and to make anti-narcotics efforts a "level-one" priority in the National Intelligence Strategy.

FOIA Relief for FBI: In another part of the drug bill, there will be a provision exempting from FOIA those records of the FBI that pertain to foreign intelligence, counter-intelligence or counterterrorism to the extent that the existence of such records is classified.

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